

# ***HINCHINBROOK ROAD SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE***

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## **MINUTES OF HINCHINBROOK ROAD SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON 12 JUNE 2013**

Meeting Opened: 10:30am on Wednesday, 12 June 2013.

### **1. ATTENDANCE**

Present were, Ms Alison Barlow (Department of Transport & Main Roads – DTMR), Mr Dave Hunter (Queensland Police Service – QPS), Mayor Rodger Bow (Hinchinbrook Shire Council – HRSAC Chairperson), Mr Simon Nash (Department of Transport & Main Roads – DTMR), Mr Luigi Cantoni (Australian Pensioners & Superannuants League – AP&SL), Dr Jenna Devietti (Works Engineer – WE), Mr Robert Giuliano (Hinchinbrook Shire Council – HSC), Mr Robert Lyon (NQBE), Mr Peter Luke (Wilmar Sugar Australia Limited), Cr Patrick Lynch (Councillor – HSC), Mr Steven Marbelli (Canegrowers), Mr Frank Martino (Transnorth), Mr Rick Quabba (Queensland Mechanical Cane Harvesting Association – QMCHA), Mr Gerry Southward (Department of Transport & Main Roads – DTMR), Mr Frank Russo (Hinchinbrook Chamber of Commerce Industry & Tourism – HCCI&T), Mr Lenny Toscano (Australia Post), Ms Kirrily Low (HRSAC Secretary).

### **APOLOGIES**

An apology for non-attendance was received from: Hon Mr Andrew Cripps (MP Hinchinbrook), Mr Jeff Aitchinson (Hinchinbrook Traffic Control – HTC), Mr Geoff Bormann (Queensland Police Service – QPS), Mr Jason Macpherson (Department of Transport & Main Roads – DTMR), Mr Rick Buttler (Stone River Bus Service).

### **2. CONFIRM MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING OF 3 APRIL 2013.**

Minutes of meeting held on 3 April 2013, be approved as a correct record of proceedings.

**Moved by:** Mr Frank Martino (Transnorth) and **Seconded by:** Mr Robert Giuliano (HSC)

### **3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES – 3 APRIL 2013.**

- 3.1 Mr Rick Quabba (QMCHA) advised that since the new pedestrian lights have been implemented, some pedestrians have been pressing the button but not waiting for the green light and just walking across causing traffic to stop for no pedestrians crossing. [Item 3.1]

**RESPONSE:** *Mayor Rodger Bow (HRSAC Chairperson) advised DTMR that the traffic lights on the Australia Post Office side are inconsistent in the effect that in some instances when vehicle traffic get a red light the pedestrian light remains red.*

*Mr Gerry Southward (DTMR) to arrange DTMR technical staff to investigate the issue.*

*Mayor Rodger Bow (HRSAC Chairperson) advised that he has sent Mr Gerry Southward (DTMR) times and date of which the traffic and pedestrian lights have not been in timing with each other.*

*Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR) to investigate and present finding to the next HRSAC meeting of 12 June 2013.*

**ACTION:** *Matter completed*

- 3.2 Mr Rick Quabba (QMCHA) expressed concerns with people walking in the dark without high visibility clothing or embellishments. Mr Quabba suggested buying high visibility ribbon or sashes and donating them to various community groups so the public could obtain one for free. [Item 3.4]

**RESPONSE:** *Mr Rick Quabba (QMCHA) presented various options he had sourced to support above proposal.*

*HRSAC Meeting considered Mr Rick Quabba (QMCHA) proposal to be a good idea which would benefit both motorists and pedestrians and subsequently agreed pursuing options. HRSAC Meeting authorised Mr Rick Quabba (QMCHA) to approach the local paper – Herbert River Express to arrange a media release, following further discussions with Dr Jenna Devietti (WE).*

*Mr Rick Quabba (QMCHA) and Dr Jenna Devietti (WE) to further discuss proposal prior to Mr*

*Rick Quabba (QMCHA) presenting information to the Herbert River Express for consideration as media release in the local paper.*

*Ms Kirrily Low (HRSAC Secretary) to organise suitable time for Dr Jenna Devietti (WE) and Mr Rick Quabba (QMCHA) to discuss options to present to the Herbert River Express as a media release.*

*Meeting scheduled for Thursday, 11 April 2013.*

*Dr Jenna Devietti (WE) and Mr Rick Quabba (QMCHA) to provide outcomes at the next HRSAC meeting of 12 June 2013.*

**ACTION:** *HRSAC agreed to promote pedestrian safety and high visibility options.  
Dr Jenna Devietti (WE) and Mayor Rodger Bow (HRSAC Chairperson) to look into options to promote and the possibility of approaching service clubs.*

- 3.3** Mr Luigi Cantoni (AP & SL) advised that disability seniors are concerned that there is insufficient disability parking in the main street of Ingham in particular Lannercost Street and that people without a disability are parking in the few disability parking bays available. [Item 3.8]

**RESPONSE:** *Mr Luigi Cantoni (AP & SL) suggested putting disabled parking bays near pedestrian crossings to allow easier access to walk across the road*

*Dr Jenna Devietti (WE) to discuss possible locations along Lannercost Street, Ingham, adjacent to Coles, with Council's Manager Technical Services, Mr Graham Weston.*

*Mr Bruce Leach (MES) presented report from Manager Technical Services (MTS), Mr Graham Weston, advising that Council is unable to install any disabled parking bays in the Coles area as the extent of works required is far greater than just line marking due to the geometric layout of the footpath and grades associated with the road.*

*Council's Technical Support to review disabled parking in commercial areas.*

**ACTION:** *Still in progress*

- 3.4** Mr Rick Butler (Stone River Bus Service) advising that the children pick up at Our Lady of Lourdes school is getting worse particularly in the afternoons and when its raining. There is currently way too much traffic congestion.

**RESPONSE:** *Dr Jenna Devietti (WE) to investigate history of the issues involved to provide HRSAC background.*

*Mr Bruce Leach (MES) advised that Council have had discussions with the Our Lady of Lourdes Principal regarding a temporary parking area. A more permanent fix to be considered through the TIDS program. An onsite meeting is scheduled to be held at a later time with Mayor Rodger Bow and Dr Jenna Devietti (WE) to represent the HRSAC.*

**ACTION:** *Resolved. Bus companies satisfied with the outcome.  
Ms Kirrily Low (HRSAC Secretary) to send letter on behalf of HRSAC thanking Our Lady of Lourdes School for their cooperation.*

- 3.5** Mr Geoff Bormann (QPS) advised that traffic has been caught turning the wrong way at the "one way" signage located adjacent to the Victoria Hotel in Herbert Street.

**RESPONSE:** *DTMR to inspect signage in Herbert Street and Lannercost Street and replace and damaged or faded signs.*

**ACTION:** *Dr Jenna Devietti to look into including in the Road Maintenance Performance Contract [RMPC].  
Ms Kirrily Low (HRSAC Secretary) to log a Works Request to trim any overhanging trees which may be reducing visibility of the signs.*

- 3.6** Mr Robert Lyon (NQBE) advised that the dip located 1.5 km Ingham side of Dalrymple Road, Hawkins Creek, needs repair on the outbound lane. Mr Robert Lyon (NQBE) also advised that trees along Abergowrie Road need to be trimmed before the cane crushing season. [Item 5.4]

**RESPONSE:** *Ms Kirrily Low (HRSAC Secretary) to log a Works Request.*

*Works Request # 12727 - Previous pavement repair has settled and needs building up as ramp.*

**ACTION:** *Ms Kirrily Low (HRSAC Secretary) to find out more information on action to be taken for Works Request # 12727.*

- 3.7 Mr Frank Russo (HCCI&T) advised that the first set of culverts located at Haughtys Road, Helens Hill, needs repairs. [Item 5.5]

**RESPONSE** Ms Kirrily Low (HRSAC Secretary) to log a Works Request.

*Works Request # 12728 – Works Supervisor found 3 blows in last row and drain needs to be cleaned. Request has been referred to AECOM.*

**ACTION:** Matter completed

- 3.8 Mayor Rodger Bow (HRSAC Chairperson) requested DTMR to consider moving the 100 km to where the 80 km sign is along Victoria Mill Road. The current distance between 80 km and 100 km seems to be far too long considering there are only cane fields in between. Mr Jason Macpherson (DTMR) suggested to get rid of the 80 km sign and go from 60 km to 100 km.

*Mr Jason Macpherson (DTMR) to investigate and present outcomes at the next HRSAC meeting of 12 June 2013*

**ACTION:** Mr Gerry Southward (DTMR) to investigate further.

- 3.9 Mayor Rodger Bow (HRSAC Chairperson) asked DTMR the reasoning behind the two dotted centre lines located in parts on Townsville Road. Mr Jason Macpherson (DTMR) confirmed that the two dotted lines are to separate the traffic from the centre. [Item 5.7]

**RESPONSE** Mr Jason Macpherson (DTMR) to locate information pamphlets to distribute.

**ACTION:** Mr Gerry Southward (DTMR) advised that signs advertising the new lines are to be erected and information will be distributed via email.

#### 4. **CORRESPONDENCE**

##### Outward Correspondence

Nil

##### Incoming Correspondence

- Peter Sheedy [CANEGROWERS Hebert River] – New Canegrowers Delegate on HRSAC. [Doc # 13/09244]

**ACTION:** Item noted.

**RESOLUTION:** That the Correspondence report be accepted as read.

**Moved by:** Mr Robert Lyon (NQBE)

**Seconded by:** Mr Luigi Cantoni (AP&SL)

#### 5. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

- 5.1 Mr Rick Quabba (QMCHA) thanked Wilmar Sugar Australia Limited for installing the new cane train crossing lights in Herbert Street, Ingham.

**ACTION:** Ms Kirrily Low (HRSAC Secretary) to send letter thanking Wilmar Sugar Australia Limited for installing the lights.

- 5.2 Mr Robert Lyon (NQBE) advising that the hedges located at Clay Street and Cassady Street, Ingham, need to be trimmed as they are obstructing visibility.

**ACTION:** Ms Kirrily Low (HRSAC Secretary) to log a Works Request.

- 5.3 Mr Robert Lyon (NQBE) advising the lack of street lighting at the intersection of Cartwright Street and Badila Street, Ingham.

**ACTION:** TMR to investigate

- 5.4 Mr Frank Martino (Transnorth) advising ongoing concern with traffic controllers placing traffic signs in bus zones.

**ACTION:** Ms Kirrily Low (HRSAC Secretary) to inform AECOM to advise their traffic control contractor.

- 5.5 Mr Gerry Southward (DTMR) advising that the reason behind the amount of road works being undertaken at the same time within the Shire is a result of projects being limited to a timeframe and projects being controlled by Main Roads and AECOM.

**ACTION:** Item noted

- 5.6 Ms Alison Barlow (DTMR) advising that nominations are now open for the 2013 Queensland Road Safety Awards and Community Engagement Workshop held on 22 October 2013 at Central Queensland University, Rockhampton. Nominations close on 9 August 2013.

The T2013 19<sup>th</sup> International Council on Alcohol, Drugs and Traffic Safety Research, Policing and Education Conference is to be held from 26 – 29 August 2013, in Brisbane.

**ACTION:** *Item noted.*

- 5.7 Ms Alison Barlow (DTMR) advised that the Lannercost and Herbert Street, Ingham, Road Safety Audit will be undertaken next financial year 2013/2014

**ACTION:** *Item noted.*

- 5.8 Mr Lenny Toscano (Australia Post) enquired on the standard for batter slopes on new road works.

**ACTION:** *Mr Simon Nash (DTMR) advised that the standard is 1 on 3 however in some instances this cannot always be achieved.*

- 5.9 Mr Lenny Toscano (Australia Post) requested for the approaches to Ingham on Townsville road to be mowed.

**ACTION:** *TMR to look into.*

- 5.10 Mr Lenny Toscano (Australia Post) requested for the broken Telstra pit in front of Gull Service Station to be repaired.

**ACTION:** *Dr Jenna Devietti advised that Council has sent numerous requests to Telstra to have the pits repaired.*

- 5.11 Mayor Rodger Bow (HRSAC Chairperson) advised that with the new Local Area Traffic Management [LATM] devices situated in Marina Parade, Ingham, there is no area for pedestrians to get off the road to walk past the devices.

**ACTION:** *Dr Jenna Devietti to investigate.*

- 5.12 Mr Luigi Cantoni (AP&SL) requested information on the reason behind the new Local Area Traffic Management [LATM] devices located between Palmer Street and Cooper Street, Ingham.

**ACTION:** *Dr Jenna Devietti advised that the LATM devices have been put in place to slow down local traffic and to deter heavy vehicles from travelling down these roads.*

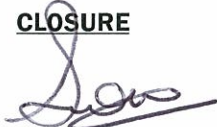
- 5.13 Ms Alison Barlow (DTMR) thanked Queensland Police for organising the Safe Cruise or Lose Expo in Ingham as it was a very successful event.

**ACTION:** *Mr David Hunter (QPS) to pass on thanks from HRSAC to QPS officers in charge of the event.*

6. **NEXT MEETING**

The next HRSAC Meeting is scheduled at 10:30am on Wednesday, 7 August 2013, at Council Chambers.

7. **CLOSURE** Meeting closed at 11:37am



Mayor Rodger Bow  
CHAIRPERSON